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IN RE APPLICATION OF MOWREY-MCKEE ET AL.

APPLICATION NO: 09/997,099 FILED: NOVEMBER 29, 2001

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Attention: Box Missing Parts
Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Sir:

The Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted dated December 14, 2001 (a copy of which is enclosed) has a shortened statutory time set to expire on February 14, 2002.

In response, applicants now submit an original or copy of a fully executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Please charge the \$130 surcharge fee under 37 CFR §1.16(e) to Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis Corporation.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis Corporation.

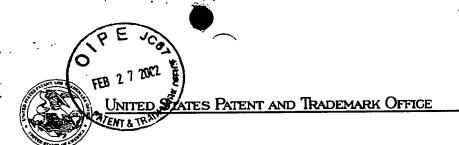
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.

 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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